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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF :  
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST : **FINAL DECISION AND ORDER**

PERI L. ALDRICH, M.D., :  
RESPONDENT. : LS0906171MED

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Division of Enforcement Cases #06 Med 250, 07 Med 235, 08 Med 29

The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53, are:

Peri L. Aldrich, M.D.  
1077 Sunlite Dr.  
Oneida, WI 54155

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board  
P.O. Box 8935  
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing  
Division of Enforcement  
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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Peri Lynne Aldrich (dob 7/23/52) is and was at all times relevant to the facts set forth herein a physician and surgeon licensed in the State of Wisconsin pursuant to license #21592, first granted on 7/14/78. Respondent is a family practitioner, and is certified by the American Board of Family Medicine. Respondent was, on 2/18/04, disciplined by the Board in file #01 MED 193 for failure to determine the cause of a geriatric patient's chronic GI blood loss and anemia; she was reprimanded and ordered to take 24 hours of targeted continuing medical education, which she successfully completed.

2. The Board has received three informal complaints alleging that Respondent's prescribing of opioids and opiates for chronic pain was excessive and that she failed to take appropriate precautions to prevent abuse or diversion by patients. Respondent represents to the Board that she no longer prescribes opioids or opiates for chronic pain, and instead uses other treatment modalities for these conditions.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

A. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the attached Stipulation is accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Peri L. Aldrich, M.D., shall not order, dispense, or prescribe any opioid or opiate which is a controlled substance for more than 30 days in any 12 month period for any patient, until she has demonstrated that she has satisfactorily completed one of the following courses, or a substantially equivalent course which has been pre-approved by the Board or its designee:

Intensive Course In Controlled Substance Management, Case Western Reserve University

Prescribing Controlled Drugs Course, Vanderbilt University Center for Professional Health

Physician Prescribing Course, University of California—San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education Program

Appropriate Prescribing Workshop, Oregon Medical Board

Mini Residency in Appropriate Prescribing, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (DVD course with proctored exam)

Prescribing Controlled Drugs: Critical Issues and Common Pitfalls of Misprescribing, University of South Florida College of Medicine

This shall not be deemed a limitation on Respondent's license, but violation of this Order may result in discipline under Wis. Adm. Code § Med 10.02(2)(b), and to action as set forth below.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that respondent shall pay the COSTS of investigating and prosecuting this matter of \$2,500, before 9/5/09.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to Wis. Stats. §§ 227.51(3) and 448.02(4), violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondent fails to timely submit full payment of the costs as ordered the Respondent's license SHALL BE

SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has paid them in full, including any accrued interest.

Dated this June 17, 2009.

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

by: Gene Musser, M.D.  
a member of the Board